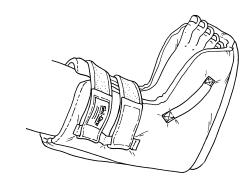
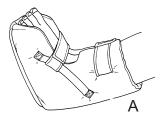


Reorder #	Description	Size	Unit
503034	Heel Float	Small (3"Wide Petite Adult/Pediatric)	Each
503035	Heel Float	Medium (4" Wide Average Adult)	Each
503036	Heel Float	Large (5" Wide Large Adult/Bariatric)	Each
503095	Heel Float	Replacment Gel Pack(Small)	Each
503097	Heel Float	Replacment Gel Pack(Medium)	Each
503099	Heel Float	Replacment Gel Pack(Large)	Each



## **Purpose**

The Heel-Float off-loads the heel by suspending it over an air cavity. This eliminates pressure and prevents the formation of pressure ulcers and aids in the healing of existing ulcers. The Heel-Float includes a water-based gel pack that relieves pressure beneath the ankle. The gel may be heated or cooled for hot/cold therapy. This item is available in three sizes; large/bariatric fits a foot/ankle of 5" width, the medium fits 4" width and small is 3" width. The fit should be snug, but not tight. The foot should not rotate in the boot.



### **Application**

Skil-Care's Heel-Float has adaptable Hook & Loop straps, enabling the boot to be secured at the ankle and at the instep, or with both straps at the ankle. The ankle-instep option is recommended when the patient's foot moves rearward in the Heel-Float.

#### Ankle/Instep

- Place patient's foot inside the Heel-Float. Make certain the heel is suspended directly over the air cavity.
- Move the Hook & Loop strap along the webbing strip towards the toes. (illustration A)
- Thread the Hook & Loop strap through the web loop near the toes and secure the closure. (illustration B)
- Thread the ankle strap through the web loop near the ankle and secure closure. (illustration B)
- Hook & Loop closures should be snug, but not tight.

#### Ankle Only

- Place patient's foot inside the Heel-Float. Make certain that the heel is suspended over the air cavity.
- Move the Hook & Loop strap along the webbing strip towards the ankle. (illustration C)
- Thread both Hook & Loop straps through the web loop on the opposite side of the Heel-Float and secure closures. (illustration D)
- Thread the ankle strap through the web loop near the ankle and secure closure. (illustration D)
- Hook & Loop closure should be snug, but not tight.

# **Gel-Pack**

The water-based gel pack may be used for hot/cold therapy. The remove the gel pack by opening the flap at the back of the Heel-Float. (illustration E). For heat therapy, warm the gel in hot water to the desired temperature. DO NOT microwave. For cold therapy, cool the gel pack by placing it in a refrigerator. DO NOT freeze.



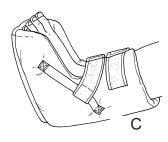
Remove the Heel-Float every 8 to 12 hours (or according to your facility's protocol) and check patient's skin for ischemia or discoloration.

## **Easy Care**

The Heel Float may be washed and dried at temperatures that do not exceed 180°F (82°C). Do not use chlorine bleach. Remove gel pack before laundering.

#### Guarantee

The Heel-Float is guaranteed to be free from defects in materials and workmanship under conditions of normal use for a period of six months following purchase.



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